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Nothing but the

# THE SHOW'S OVER



## Complete Justice

CQUITTAL OF MRS. FRANCES A STEVENS HALL and her two brothers puts an end to a sinister effort to send four innocent persons to the electric chair.

Their trial was based upon the flimsiest evidence that ever was presented in a famous murder case.

It was "evidence" that hung upon the words of thoroughly discredited witnesses. "Evidence" which was grubbed from the sewers of slander.

It was evident from the beginning that such evidence would never lead to conviction. It must have been just as evident to Senator Simpson as it was to the jury and to the

But the sad farce had to be played through to the end.

As an entertainment the trial was a success. . . . A success to every one except the heart-wrung defendants.

As a trial the entertainment was a sucright, BUT A TERRIBLE FAILURE FOR CERTAIN CONVICTION-HUNGRY NEWSPAPER.

Comment everywhere is heard that it is shame to force innocent persons to enormous expense to defend their very lives against such an outrageous assault.

It is a shame that decent people should have even the legitimacy of their birth questioned by a sensation-mongering prosecutor under cloak of court procedure.

It is a shame that innocent persons should be blared out in bold type as being

guilty of a horrible crime.

Some of these shameful things in the Hall-Mills trial were done in the name of the law. Against them there is no protection. Those who suffer must take their bitter medicine in silence.

Other of those shameful things were done in defiance of the law.

Specifically in defiance of the law of libel, erected to protect the character of decent people against unwarranted attack.

It is to be hoped that to bring complete and final justice in this case the libel law be invoked to the utmost limit to vindicate completely those who have been so fearfully maligned by a newspaper whose murder propaganda has been completely repudiated.

By such action the interests of decent newspapers will be served, and reputation will be restored to the fourth estate which has suffered badly because of the infamous manner in which this notorious trial was brought about.

## 42 Deaths

FORTY-TWO children died beneath automobile wheels in October.

Forty-two families are heartbroken Still the sad tale goes on.

Nothing effective is done to stop this WHOLESALE SLAUGHTER OF THE THE INNOCENTS.

It is time to CALL A HALT.

There should be a general meeting of all the parents of the city

FATHERS AND MOTHERS should be asked for their advice.

Then make provision to put that advice into action.

THAT is the most direct way to save the

Who will start this wise movement first?

# Great Thoughts of Great Men

Man is but a reed, the weakest in nature, but he is a thinking reed.—Pascal.

# Love of Home

The progress associated with civilization has come to us through the home.

The home is a great, national stabilizing force. It is the foundation of everything worth while in

When you aim a blow at the home, you strike at the very heart of the nation.

The old-time pioneer Americans reared families that proved their ability as home builders, and our national power has been acquired from the progeny of these hardy people.

But these old-time families are rarely duplicated in this period.

Recent statistics in the state of Massachusetts prove that American-born people in this state, at least, do not reproduce themselves. Big families are rare exceptions. Two or three children is the usual limit, and the query naturally arises, "What is the matter with the American home? What is the nature of the destructive force that is annihilating it?"

Our pioneer Americans were hardy, powerful men. The hardest kind of outdoor work developed great, vigorous muscles and strong, well poised bodies.

The instinct to mate and multiply, in men of this character, becomes a great dominating force. They find their mates. They marry. They create homes and multiply the citizenship of the nation.

The inherent physical force of the race has deteriorated to an alarming extent since pioneer times.

If we want fruitful homes, there must be the real

men and women to create them.

Children inherit the physical, mental and moral characteristics of their parents. They are usually weak, vacuous, devitalized, if their parents are lacking the physical qualities essential to parenthood.

City life is devitalizing the race. We need more

of the outdoor life for our growing children. Racial stamina depends upon this, and until the proper-recognition is secured of the physical factors in home build-

ing we can expect but little improvement.

Vibrant physical forces are required in real home building, and this great American institution cannot be properly stabilized until the importance of this human factor is recognized.

### WHAT HAVE YOU TO SAY?

Write on ONE SIDE of paper only. Names and addresses must be given or letters will not be published.

### IMPOSE POLL TAX

To the Editor of The GRAPHIC:-

A poll tax of \$10 should be imposed upon all qualified non-voting ful to a young fellow than the citizens, reversing the law as apgaping eyes of curious folks jeerplied in various towns and cities in various parts of the country where a poll tax is directly imposed are sorry for him. At least it will upon all citizens. Exemptions in the try to teach other boys to premises, however, should be al- straight, lowed in cases of illness, poverty, traveling for business or other indicated incapacities beyond the To the Editor of The GRAPHIC:in connection herewith that all able-bodied persons who fail to exercise their franchise of voting shall be the first persons drawn upon for jury duty. WILLIAM CHARLES SIEBERT.

531 West 151st St.

### CURE FOR CRIME

To the Editor of The GRAPHIC:-Might I offer my suggestion to eliminate crime? Take the pris-oners out of Sing Sing and bring

them down to the city of New

York, putting a ball and chain around their ankles and setting them to work in view of the public. Nothing seems more shame-JAMES C. CASSIDY. 227 Brown Place, Bronx.

### TOO MUCH TIPPING

control of the citizen, It should Hedwig C. Bitts's article in The also be made a part of the statute GRAPHIC, entitled "Who Gets the Tips?" must give a lot of the waiters and waitresses a good chuckle. The writer, whose work requires quite a little traveling, spends close to \$60 a month on tips alone, and for one would like to see the practice regulated to at least some degree. Head waiters, waiters and waitresses more often than not, are better off financially than the book public who by their generosity help support E. G. T. people.

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